

Sulawesi, Java & Bali : Indonesian kaleidoscope



Days: 21

Price from: 2850 EUR
International flight not included

Comfort: ★★★★★

Difficult: ★★☆☆☆

📌 Ethnic minority 📌 Adventure
📌 Must see 📌 Culture 📌

We know too little about Indonesia, this fabulous archipelago at the end of the world, where a smile is on the lips of a population imbued with finesse and cordiality. But when references to 'Sulawesi', 'Java' and 'Bali' pop into our heads, the dream machine kicks into gear...

In **Sulawesi**, the Toraja people are renowned for their unique culture and fascinating funeral ceremonies. Their distinctive boat-shaped houses and breathtaking rice terrace landscapes reveal a land rich in encounters, sacred rites, and timeless beauty.

Gentle Java, unlike any other tropical island, is a land of supernatural heritage, where art and history blend seamlessly with its legendary temples (Borobudur, Prambanan...). The island's breathtaking landscapes, sculpted by endless rice paddies and crowned by over a hundred volcanic peaks, reveal nature's duality—both nurturing and destructive. Witness its raw power at the foot of Mount Merapi, Indonesia's most active volcano, admire the ethereal beauty of Mount Bromo, and descend into the otherworldly crater of Kawah Ijen, shrouded in sulfurous mist.

In **Bali**, the famed Island of the Gods—also called the Magic Island or the Spiritual Island—you'll uncover the beauty of a singular Hindu culture that has withstood the test of time, preserving its splendour and vibrancy.

Day 1. Welcome to Sulawesi



Makassar airport 📍
🚗 20km - ⌚ 40m
Makassar 📍

- Welcome at Makassar airport by your English speaking tour-guide and transfer to the hotel. Makassar, the capital of South Sulawesi, sits on the Makassar Strait.
- In the afternoon, depending on your arrival time, visit the bustling fish market, a key gathering place where seafood plays a central role in Indonesian cuisine.
- Then, head to the port of Paotere to admire the magnificent wooden schooners. The tour concludes at Fort Rotterdam, built in 1545 by Raja Tunipalangga. Originally an earthen rampart called a "makassar," it was reinforced with stone walls in 1634 by Sultan Alaudin. The Dutch later conquered it in 1667, renaming it "Rotterdam" after Speelman's birthplace. Now fully restored, the fort houses a small museum recounting its history.
- In the evening, welcome dinner. An opportunity to get to know your accompanying team.

🍴 Dinner	Included
🏠 Accommodation	M-Regency Hotel

Day 2. To Toraja Land



- In the morning, transfer to the **Maros** region, once explored by the famous naturalist Alfred Wallace.
- This breathtaking landscape, known for its karst peaks and lush rice fields, offers a glimpse into Sulawesi's ancient and natural wonders. Take a short walk through the area and visit a remarkable cave adorned with paintings dating back nearly 39,000 years. Your guide will then take you on a traditional dugout canoe ride along a serene river, home to diverse bird species.
- Along the way, you'll meet local communities living in traditional stilt houses, gaining insight into their way of life.

Makassar 📍
🚗 320km - ⌚ 8h
Rantepao 📍

By late morning, continue your journey to the coastal town of Pare Pare before heading inland along the Sa'Dan River. As the road winds through magnificent landscapes, the open plains give way to dense coconut forests.

Stop en route at Bambapuang for a striking view of the so-called "erotic" mountain, a natural rock formation with a unique silhouette.

Arrive in Rantepao, the heart of Toraja country, in the early evening

🍳 Breakfast	Included
🍴 Lunch	Included
🍷 Dinner	Included
🏠 Accommodation	M-Regency Hotel

Day 3. Tau Tau Figurines



Rantepao 📍
🚗 - ⌚ 40m
Lemo 📍
🚗 - ⌚ 40m
Kete Kesu 📍
Rantepao 📍

- Today's program begins with a visit to the Lemo burial site, where balconies carved into the rock house the iconic Tau Tau figurines. Then, transfer to the royal tombs of Suaya before continuing on foot to Tampangg'alo, another fascinating site.

In the afternoon, explore the Londa caves, set at the base of a towering cliff and home to wooden coffins and scattered bones. Enjoy an easy hike to Kete Kusu, a village renowned for its intricate wood carvings and traditional rice granaries, passing through rice fields, villages, and bamboo forests along the way.

Note: the course of the three-day programme exploring Toraja country may be adapted if a funeral festival is taking place in the region at this time. Your guide will take you to attend this ceremony and introduce you to the family of the deceased. For the record, no rituals are organised in Toraja country for tourists: everything is absolutely authentic.

🍳 Breakfast	Included
🍴 Lunch	Included
🍷 Dinner	Included
🏠 Accommodation	M-Regency Hotel

Day 4. Immersion



Rantepao 📍

- In the morning, visit **Bori**, known for its impressive megalithic tombs, then explore **Palawa**, the largest traditional village in the region, before heading to Sa'dan, famous for its ancestral weaving techniques.

Transfer to the untamed northern Toraja highlands, where breathtaking views unfold at 1,400m altitude.

Enjoy a scenic walk around Batutumonga, through rice fields, villages, and bamboo forests. Later, set off on a hike from Lokomata (where tombs are carved into a massive rock)—towards Mariri, meeting school children on their way home and visiting traditional knife-making workshops along the way.

Return to the hotel in the late afternoon.

🍳 Breakfast	Included
🍴 Lunch	Included
🍷 Dinner	Included

Day 5. Vibrant Rantepao



Rantepao 📍

- Visit the vibrant Rantepao market, where many buffaloes and pigs are on sale. Then it's time to attend a funeral ceremony. In the afternoon, transfer to Pemancar, where you begin a lovely stroll towards Salu, through rice fields and plantations (mainly coffee and cocoa).

4 hours of trekking

☕ Breakfast	Included
🍴 Lunch	Included
🍷 Dinner	Included
🏠 Accommodation	M-Regency Hotel

Day 6. To Bugis Land



Rantepao 📍
🚗 210km - ⌚ 5h
Sengkang 📍

- In the morning, you drive to the charming little town of Sengkang, which stretches along the banks of the Walanae river. In the afternoon, visit the traditional silk weaving workshops.

☕ Breakfast	Included
🍴 Lunch	Included
🍷 Dinner	Included
🏠 Accommodation	BBC Hotel

Day 7. Marshy lake



Sengkang 📍

- Early morning transfer to the shores of lake Tempe , where you board motorized canoes for a unique exploration of this vast marshland, home to diverse bird species and a fascinating floating village.

A rare opportunity to immerse yourself in the timeless daily life of the local fishermen.

☕ Breakfast	Included
🍴 Lunch	Included
🍷 Dinner	Included
🏠 Accommodation	BBC Hotel

Day 8. To Java, the gentle



Sengkang 📍

🚗 - ⌚ 4h 20m

Makassar airport 📍

✈️ - ⌚ 1h 50m

Yogyakarta International Airport 📍

Yogyakarta 📍

- Departure towards Makassar airport and flight to Yogyakarta in the early evening. Your English speaking tour-guide will meet you at Yogyakarta airport and transfer you to your hotel.

🍳 Breakfast	Included
🏠 Accommodation	Gallery Prawirotaman Hotel

Day 9. Cultural capital



Yogyakarta 📍

🚗 16km - ⌚ 30m

Prambanan Temple 📍

🚗 16km - ⌚ 30m

Yogyakarta 📍

- The morning is devoted to visiting Yogyakarta, the cultural capital of Java, and in particular the area around the Sultan's Palace, built in 1756, where life is good.

Your city walk will take you to Taman Sari, known in the days of the Dutch colonial empire as the "Water Palace", and then to the puppet and batik workshops.

You then visit the Prambanan temple complex, and in particular Loro Jonggrang, a sumptuous 47-metre-high temple dedicated to the goddess Siva.

It is considered to be the most elegant and breathtaking Hindu temple on the island of Java.

Return to Yogyakarta in the late afternoon, where you spend the rest of your time strolling along Malioboro Avenue, Yogya's main shopping street. Overnight at the same hotel.

🍳 Breakfast	Breakfast
🍴 Lunch	Included
🏠 Accommodation	Gallery Prawirotaman Hotel

Day 10. Borobudur Sanctuary



Yogyakarta 📍

🚗 40km - ⌚ 1h 30m

Suroloyo 📍

- ⌚ 2h 30m

Borobudur Temple 📍

🚗 145km - ⌚ 2h 30m

Sukuh Temple 📍

- Early this morning, set off for the **Menoreh Hills**, about 25 km west of Yogyakarta, where lush ridges overlook the **Borobudur plain**.

Follow a scenic trail through breathtaking landscapes, winding along the crests with sweeping views of emerald rice fields and distant volcanoes—Mt Sumbing, Mt Merapi, and Mt Merbabu—standing like silent guardians on the horizon.

Emerging from the heart of the valley, the majestic sanctuary of Borobudur rises before you, an awe-inspiring sight to conclude your walk.

Later, transfer to **Sukuh**, on the slopes of Mt Lawu, where misty heights cradle ancient traditions.

🍳 Breakfast	Breakfast
🍴 Lunch	Included
🏠 Accommodation	Sukuh Cottages

Day 11. The Last Bastion of Hinduism



Sukuh Temple 📍
12km - ⌚ 4h
Tawangmangu 📍
🚗 290km - ⌚ 7h
Tumpang 📍

- In the morning, transfer to Sukuh temple, the last stronghold of Hinduism in Central Java as Islam spread across the region. Its unique iconography, including phallic symbols and turtle-shaped altars, hints at ancient initiation rites—possibly even orgiastic rituals.

From there, set off on a scenic walk toward Tawangmangu, a village nestled on the slopes of Mount Lawu. volcan Lawu

Along the way, you'll pass through lush pine forests and high-altitude plantations, with plenty of chances to spot native plant species and take in stunning panoramic views.

The walk ends at Tawangmangu Park, where a short trail leads to the breathtaking Grojogan Sewu waterfall, hidden deep in a tropical forest teeming with macaques.

4 hours of trekking and difference in heights +400m/-300m

In the afternoon, transfer to Tumpang, near Malang, at the western foot of the Bromo-Tengger-Semeru massif.

🍽️ Breakfast	Sukuh Cottages
🍴 Lunch	Included
🍷 Dinner	Included
🏠 Accommodation	Rani Homestay

Day 12. Magnificent landscape



Tumpang 📍
Tumpak Sewu 📍
Tumpang 📍

- In the morning, set off for the Lumajang region, following the southern slopes of Mount Semeru, Java's highest volcano.

Your journey leads to "Tumpak Sewu, or "Thousand Waterfalls in Javanese.

As you descend into the gorge—on a steep and sometimes slippery trail—you'll feel the sheer power of hundreds of cascading streams, plunging over 100 meters into the lush canyon below.

From above, the misty veil creates an almost surreal beauty, soaking everything in its path. It's no surprise that a photo of Tumpak Sewu with Mount Semeru in the background won the Best Aerial Shot award in 2019.

If you're bringing a camera, be sure to protect it from moisture.

Return to Tumpang in the late afternoon.

3 hours of trekking

🍽️ Breakfast	breakfast
🏠 Accommodation	Rani Homestay

Day 13. Majestic caldera of Mt Bromo



Tumpang 📍

- Early morning, set off in 4x4 vehicles toward the Tengger region, home to the legendary Mt Bromo (2,329 m).

Along the way, you'll pass through the lush forests of Bromo-Tengger-Semeru National Park, skirting part of the Bromo caldera rim before descending into its vast sea of sand.

Your journey ends in Cemorolawang, a village perched on the opposite crest. Sacred to the Tengger Hindu people, Mount Bromo is a place of deep spiritual significance.

In the early afternoon, climb to its steaming crater, often compared to a boiling cauldron—a sight that once led the Javanese to believe it was the gateway to purgatory.

🚗 35km - ⌚ 2h
Cemorolawang 📍

🍳 Breakfast	Breakfast
🍽️ Lunch	Included
🏠 Accommodation	Lava View Lodges

Day 14. Volcanic Awakening

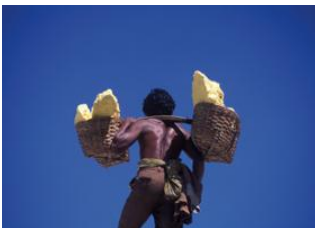


Cemorolawang 📍
🚗 - ⌚ 7h
Ketapang 📍

- At dawn, aboard a 4x4, ascend to the summit of Mont Pananjakan (2,775 m) for an unforgettable spectacle.
- As the first light of day breaks over the horizon, a surreal lunar landscape unfolds before you—Mount Bromo, its vast sea of sand, and the towering Semeru volcano, both breathing thick plumes of smoke into the morning sky.
- A moment of pure magic. If you wish, take a short ascent to Bromo's crater, now bathed in the golden hues of sunrise, before returning to the hotel for breakfast. Late in the morning, transfer to Ketapang, at the eastern foot of Kawah Ijen.

🍳 Breakfast	Lava View Lodges
🍽️ Lunch	Included
🏠 Accommodation	Ketapang Indah Hotel

Day 15. Green Crater



Ketapang 📍
🚗 - ⌚ 1h 30m
Kawah Ijen 📍
Ketapang 📍
🚗 - ⌚ 2h 10m
Pemuteran 📍

- Early in the morning, you set off again in a 4x4 towards the slopes of Kawah Ijen ("green crater" in old Javanese), which you can easily climb in the company of the men who extract sulphur every day from the edge of the largest acid lake in the world.
- These real "convicts" carry around 80 kg of ore on their backs for around 15 km to the processing plant!
- You then witness the weighing and the various employment contracts. A very powerful and striking image of your journey.

4 hours of trekking

In the late morning, transfer to Ketapang port or Banyuwangi airport.



🍳 Breakfast	Ketapang Indah Hotel
🍽️ Lunch	Included
🏠 Accommodation	Taman Sari Hotel

Day 16. Relaxing in paradise







Pemuteran 📍

- Free day in Pemuteran, a haven of tranquillity by the sea. Your driver and guide remain available should you wish to explore.
- For an unforgettable experience, set off by boat to discover the underwater wonders around Mejangan Island, where Bali's richest marine life gathers.
- A vibrant, polychrome aquarium awaits you amidst the coral reefs, home to an extraordinary array of species.
- This secluded paradise is also the last refuge of Bali's rare starling, adding a touch of magic to your adventure.




 Breakfast	Breakfast
 Accommodation	Taman Sari Hotel

Day 17. On the heights



Pemuteran 
 80km -  2h
 Belimbing 

- Enjoy a leisurely morning before heading towards Bali's lush highlands in the early afternoon. Along the way, stop at Pulaki Temple, nestled at the foot of a dramatic cliff and home to a lively community of monkeys.
- As the road winds into the mountains, the scenery becomes increasingly spectacular.
- Your journey leads you to the charming village of Belimbing, a haven of tranquillity surrounded by some of the island's most breathtaking rice terraces.



 Breakfast	Breakfast
 Lunch	Included
 Accommodation	Kebun Villas

Day 18. Ocean of Green



Belimbing 

- Morning devoted to a scenic stroll in the surrounding nature. Afternoon free to enjoy your hotel and its swimming pool nestled in the middle of the rice fields.

 Breakfast	Breakfast
 Accommodation	Kebun Villas



Day 19. Balinese Temples



Belimbing 
 40km -  1h 10m
 Batukaru Mount 
 10km -  30m
 Jatiluwih 
 21km -  1h
 Bedugul 
 42km -  2h
 Ubud 

- Begin your day with a visit to Luhur Batukaru Temple, nestled in lush greenery and home to centuries-old multi-tiered meru, dedicated to ancestral spirits and local deities.
- In the morning, transfer to Jatiluwih, a village famed for its breathtaking rice fields, a UNESCO-listed landscape in the heart of Bali.
- In the afternoon, embark on a scenic hike through the rolling terraces, an ocean of green stretching as far as the eye can see.
- 3 hours of trekking*
- Continue to Bedugul to visit the Pura Ulun Danau, a Hindu-Buddhist temple seemingly floating on the tranquil waters of the lake, dedicated to the Goddess Dewi Danu.

After a short stop at a local market, your journey leads you to Ubud, Bali's artistic and cultural heart.

 Breakfast	Breakfast
 Lunch	Included
 Accommodation	Green Field Resort

Day 20. Blend of Rice Fields and Beaches



Ubud 📍
🚗 14km - ⌚ 45m
Tampaksiring 📍
🚗 14km - ⌚ 45m
Ubud 📍

- This morning, set off on a scenic walk through lush rice fields towards Tampaksiring.
Along the way, you'll be welcomed by a family of Balinese artists into their traditional home, where you'll enjoy an authentic meal accompanied by mesmerizing Balinese dances.
In the afternoon, visit Tirta Empul, a revered water temple where locals come daily for spiritual purification in its sacred pools.
Continue to Gunung Kawi, one of Bali's most awe-inspiring sites, where the nine royal tombs of King Wungsu's family are majestically carved into the cliffside.
Return to Ubud in the early evening for some free time to explore the village at your own pace.
In the evening, enjoy a memorable farewell dinner by the sea.

🍳 Breakfast	Breakfast
🍴 Lunch	Included
🍷 Dinner	Included
🏠 Accommodation	Green Field Resort

Day 21. See you soon in Indonesia

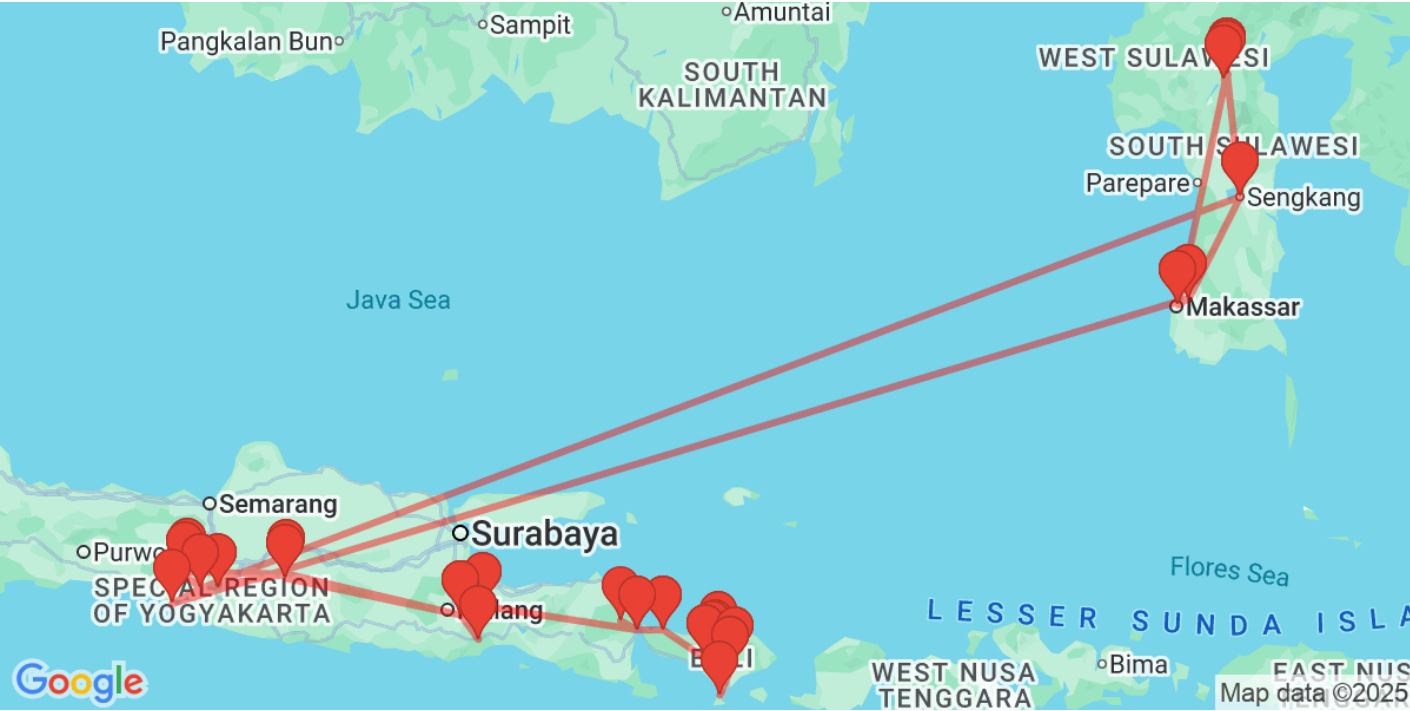


Ubud 📍
🚗 40km - ⌚ 1h 20m
Denpasar airport 📍
Departure 📍

- Free time until transfer to Denpasar airport.

🍳 Breakfast	Breakfast
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Itinerary map



Departure dates

Start date	End date	Available	Status	Price
2025/07/07	2025/07/26	10	Not confirmed	3095 EUR
2025/08/04	2025/08/23	10	Not confirmed	3095 EUR
2025/09/08	2025/09/27	10	Not confirmed	3095 EUR
2025/10/06	2025/10/25	10	Not confirmed	3095 EUR

For your trip to Indonesia, you have the option of joining a small group of fellow travelers on the dates listed below. This formula offers a warm and friendly atmosphere, while allowing you to enjoy a more attractive rate. Our groups consist of 3 to 8 participants.

All departures are guaranteed at no extra cost at the rate mentioned below as soon as 3 participants are registered. If only 2 participants confirm their booking, we will still operate the trip, with a supplement of €550 per person.

Individual price per person

2-2	3-3	4-5	6-7	8-9	10-10	SS
4175 EUR	3725 EUR	3295 EUR	3050 EUR	2925 EUR	2850 EUR	995 EUR

NET RATES PER PERSON (valid until December 2025)

You can privatize this trip on the dates of your choice, exclusively for you and your travel companions. For a private trip, the rate depends on the number of participants according to the pricing grid below.

Of course, as part of a private trip, this program is only a starting point. Based on your feedback, we will design a tailor-made itinerary for you.

Included

- English speaking tour-guide
- Domestic flight Makassar-Yogyakarta
- Land transfers in private air-conditioned vehicle
- Lake and sea transfers
- Half-board accommodation
- Meals as indicated in the above itinerary
- Entrance fees, trekking permits & donations
- Mineral water and energy supplements on walking days

Not included

- International and domestic air
- Insurance & assistance
- Visas & airport taxes
- Meals not mentioned in the itinerary above
- Drinks, personal expenses & tips
- Anything not mentioned in "Inclusions".

Extra infos

Booking conditions

Registration terms

All registration requests must be made by email to the local agency or directly online via the client space available on the local agency's website or on our partner website www.nomadays.fr.

To access the client space, simply enter the login and password set during your first connection.

The registration is considered final once the online booking form has been completed and the deposit and/or balance has been received, depending on the registration date.

Depending on the services selected and the country's regulations, a copy of the passport may be requested by the local agency. If the passport copy is not sent within the timeframe indicated by the agency, it cannot guarantee the proper delivery of the booked services.

Once the payment is made, a confirmation email is sent to the client. It includes confirmation of payment and a downloadable electronic invoice.

An acknowledgment of receipt is sent to the client by email. If the client does not receive it, the booking will still be considered final once received by the local agency.

Payment terms

Registration made more than 30 days before the departure date

The client must pay a deposit of 30% of the total amount of the booked services. The remaining balance must be paid no later than 30 days before the start of the trip.

Registration made less than 30 days before the departure date

The client must pay the full amount of the trip in a single payment.

Payment methods

Once your booking is confirmed, your local agent will prepare your electronic invoice, issued in the name of the Nomadays collective of local agencies, a travel agency duly registered in France.

Payments can be made either:

- by credit card online, free of charge, via the payment links available in the electronic invoice
- by bank transfer to the account of Nomadays, a travel agency based in France and duly registered

The electronic invoice is updated with each payment received and remains accessible at any time from the client space. It can also be downloaded and printed.

Cancellation policies

Cancellation conditions and fees

If the client is forced to cancel the trip, they must inform the local agency and their insurer by any written means that allows for an acknowledgment of receipt, as soon as the event leading to the cancellation occurs. The date the written notice is sent will be considered the cancellation date for the calculation of cancellation fees. In general, the insurance company will assess the date of the triggering event based on the documents provided directly by the client, in order to determine whether to reimburse the cancellation fees.

Scale of total cancellation fees:

- More than 45 days before the departure date: 30% of the total price of the trip including tax
- From 44 to 31 days before the departure date: 40% of the total price of the trip including tax
- From 30 to 14 days before the departure date: 50% of the total price of the trip including tax
- From 13 to 7 days before the departure date: 75% of the total price of the trip including tax
- Less than 7 days before the departure date: 100% of the total price of the trip including tax

Scale of partial cancellation fees (except special cases):

If a traveler registered for a private trip cancels their participation, while the trip is maintained for the other participants:

- For personal (non-shared) services: the above cancellation fee schedule will apply to the traveler who cancels.
- For shared services: fees equal to 100%, regardless of the cancellation date, will be charged to the canceling participant for their share of the shared services.

When several clients have registered under the same file and one of them cancels their trip, the cancellation fees will be deducted from the amounts received for that file, regardless of who made the payment.

In case of cancellation, for any reason whatsoever, expenses not included in the trip booked with the local agency and incurred by the client—such as transportation to and from the departure point (plane, train, or bus tickets), visa fees, travel documents, vaccination costs—will not be subject to any reimbursement.

Contract transfer

In the event of a contract transfer, the client must inform the local agency by email no later than 7 days before departure. This transfer is subject to the availability of flights and the suitability of the transferee. It may incur additional costs (especially in the case of airline ticket modifications or non-transferable services), which will be billed to the designated transferee. In any case, the assignor and the transferee remain jointly responsible for payment of the trip price and any additional charges.